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## AMENDMENT

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated June 16, 1999, please amend the above application as follows and consider the following remarks:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 3, 4, 6, 9, 14.

Please amend claims 1, 2, 8, 12, 13 and 15 as follows:

(Amended) A lithium polymer secondary battery comprising

- a positive electrode, a negative electrode, and a gel polymer electrolyte composed
- of polymer and an organic electrolytic solution dissolving lithium salt, further
- containing ceramic not relating to charge and discharge reaction of the battery in at
- least one of said positive electrode and said negative electrode, the content of the
- ceramic being 0.01 to 10 parts by weight in 100 parts by weight of active
- substance, the ceramic being granular, and said particle size being 10 microns or
- 8 less.

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- (Amended) A lithium polymer secondary battery of claim 1, 2. 1
- 2 wherein the ceramic is at least one [type] ceramic material selected from the group
- consisting of Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, SiO<sub>2</sub>, ZrO<sub>2</sub>, MgO, and Na<sub>2</sub>O. 3